By BRIGGS

# Hylan Appointee Once Found Unfit for Post

dan Was Recommended in 1915

## Neglect of Duty And Bias Charged

## Commissioner Also Accused Medical Examiner of Drunkenness

Coroner Patrick D. Riordan, who on ficult if January 1 of this year was appointed sistant District Attorneys to remain by Mayor Hylan as Chief Medical Ex-Manhattan, was recom-

missioner Stryker, because the office of coroner in New York was abolished bout the time Commissioner Stryker as set forth in Commissioner Stryker filed his report.

lave the place made exempt. In that

On January 1 last Mayor Hylan an-

Removal of Coroner Rior- with what? Obviously with his efforts to bring about the result which he pro-

After referring to the evidence be made his finding "That the respondent ricordan) did interfere with District Attorney Train and hinder the investigation and work of the District Attorney of New York County and his assistants in their lawful efforts properly to fix the criminal responsibility for the deaths of John Collina and Gottlieb Minnisch; that by the respondent's (Fiorday') acts seech and gent dent's (Riordan's) acts, speech and general demeanor he was guilty of such liscourteous and insulting conduct to the District Attorney of New York County and his assistants as to justify their withdrawal from the coroners'

Concluding his treatment of the In-The report of Commissioner Stryker never has been published. The Tribune to-day gives the salient features of it.

Presumably, Governor Whitman did not act on the recommendation of Commissioner Stryker at the inquest. It is a conclusion which, it seems to me, any fair mind world recommendation of Commissioner Stryker. nissioner Stryker, because the office of would reach after such a study of this

Commissioner Stryker, in his report, sustained charges of the City Club, finding that Riordan had been guilty of neglect of duty and other improprieties. Seldom has a report in its language and recommendations been been therefore notified of the signed to duty between 6 p. m. December 9 and 9 a. m. December 10, and that "it was incumbent upon him during those hours to be readily available and within the call of the office of the Manhattan Board of Coroners;" that

dentally that the appointment was only a temporary one. The law also provides that the Chief Medical Examiner must be a skilled pathologist and microscopist. In a taxpayer's action brought Saturday by Russell H. Loines it is charged that Riordan is not a skilled pathologist and microscopist, and an anipunction is sought against payment of his salary, with a temporary restraining order issued against Controller Craig and Chamberlain Johnson.

How the Charges Arose
On December 9, 1914, at about 6:30
on a northbound local elevated train, with Your Excellency's appointment to me as Commissioner in train waiting at the 116th Street station of the Ninth Avenue elevated road, tion of the Ninth Avenue elevated road, to resulting in the death of John Collins

The official statement in the Commissioner in the conformity with Your Excellency's appointment to me as Commissioner in the office of Reeve Schley, Fuel Adaption of the Ninth Avenue elevated road, tion of the material facts deemed by me

# When a Fellow HAS a Friend



## Second Heatless Day Finds Coal at Lowest Level Here

nual profit of slightly less than \$3,000

# Bronx Landlords Plan Spring Drive on Non-Paying Tenants "Strike" regardless, Sunday newspapers were circulated through New York

Organizing to Oust Those Who Have Held Up Rent, and Been Upheld by Courts, Because

which showed that the city ended the vorst week of the present famine of coal at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. A gin to melt and spring overcosts approach to melt and spring overcosts ap

The control of the co

## Creole in Crash At Sea; Returns With Hole in Bow

Liner Collides With Freighter

### Unidentified Ship Backed Off and Disappeared in Snowstorm

The Creole left this port for New when off the Delaware Capes, she ran "one, two, three"into a heavy snowstorm, and Captain B. F. Jacobs reduced her speed to mere

Captain Jacobs knew that the stranger had gone off to starboard, and, rutting the Creole around to port, steamed eastward until a survey of the damage was made. Within a few minutes it was discovered that the damage was above the waterline just abaft the collision bulkhead, and that the ship was in no daware. The passagerers were assured of this, and many of them

were assured of this, and many of them returned to their bunks.

Meanwhile, the crew shored up the hole with timbers and a taroaulin.
Captain Jacobs then decided to return

# Strike of Dealers

## Resolution Adopted at Meet- One Hurt in Wild ing to Reject "Main Sheets" Disregarded by Many

and environs yesteriay in the same old they were a little harder to get than on

## Fire Department Gets Knitting Fad, Runs Out of Wool

Passengers Calm When A Brown-Eyed Woman Teaches the Men How to Make Things for Soldiers

William Clancy and Patrick Murphy Jostled Out of Bunks sat in engine house 74 in West Seventy eventh Street smoking the morning

appeared suddenly at the door. 'Don't you men want to learn to knit for the soldiers?" she asked without introduction.

The firemen looked closer at the The Southern Pacific liner Creole, woman. She was already pulling wood with a 7-by-10-foot hole in her star- and things out of her bag and smilboard bow and 137 passengers aboard, ing cheerfully at them. They gasped came back to port yesterday, having and then looked down at their hand been in collision off the Delaware to find long, pointed things in them identified steamship. No one aboard firemen were breathing hard over gray

"I remember me mother doin' this back in the o'd country, Pat," offered Claney. "Um." mumbled Patrick in reply,

Knitting Fad Spreads

This was the beginning, a few weeks ago, of the latest fad in the Fire Destranger crashed into him, sidewiping the Creole along the starboard side. The impact threw the Creole over to port and jostled out of bunks many of the passengers who had retired. The vessels almost immediately drifted apart and were lost to each other in the snowstorm.

Captain Jacobs knew that the stranger had gone off to starboard, and, rutting the Creole around to port, steamed eastward until a survey of the steamed eastward until a survey of the demands were not been taught yet will have to pine during the remainder East Fifty-eighth Street, and put it up

Captain Jacobs then decided to return to port.

The Creole will go into drydock for repairs, and will not be ready for service until ten or twelve days.

The vessel in collision with the Creole, it was learned later, managed to get within the Capes under her own steam.

Sunday Newspapers

Distributed Despite

Strike of Dealers

"All We Need Is Wool"

"You must get the word to every mother in every state represented in the Rainbow Division," she admonished. "The firemen will knit; they're clamoring all the time for more wool. All we need is money to buy the wool with, and the 69th can be wrapped from head to foot in knitted things."

Some of the firemen in 74 who have turned out knitted garments are David Nixon. Thomas Walsh, Harold Beckett, John Hastings, Edward Christy, Pierre Morran and William Waltz. Firemen in Engine House 56, Truck House 35 and Truck House 22 are also knitting, as well as making paper vests on a sew-

## Dash of Brooklyn Subway Train

way. In downtown Brooklyn, perhaps, the shouts of the platform men, the property they were a little harder to get than on the normal Sunday, but the dealers of the normal Sunday, but the dealers of the second car and its own orderly perdustries vital to war efficiency went back on the resolution passed Sat formance on the west side of the East ing to the table presared by urday night at their meeting in Harlem. River the Fourth Avenue subway train tional Board of Fire Underwing the second car and its own orderly perdustries vital to war efficiency went back on the resolution passed Sat formance on the west side of the East ing to the table presared by urday night at their meeting in Harlem. River the Fourth Avenue subway train tional Board of Fire Underwing the second car and its own orderly perdustries vital to war efficiency.

# **Ousted German** Insurers Back As Neutrals

Vital U. S. Secrets Still Go to Berlin in a New Guise

Defence Society Launches Protest

## Shows How Location of Carload of Dynamite Was Revealed to Aliens

[Stuff Correspondence] WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-On evi

nounced that it had asked for a hear-